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In re Application of:

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Attention: Manager,
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Dear Sir:

Please amend the application to reference the claim to priority to an earlier filed application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, line 1, please add before the first sentence:

--This application is the National Stage of International Application

A PCT/CA00/00868, filed on July 28, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/364,610, filed July 29, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,326,461.--